

ROANNE L. MANN
UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE

DATE: February 15, 2022
START: 2:30 p.m.
END: 3:30 p.m.

DOCKET NO: 19-cv-4270 (PKC)

CASE Villalba v. Houslanger & Associates, PLLC et al.

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PLAINTIFF

ATTORNEY

	Emma Catherine, Ahmad Keshavarz
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DEFENDANTS

ATTORNEY

Houslanger defendants	Adam Marshall
Virgo Capital	Aleksander Powietrzynski

- ☐ FACT DISCOVERY TO BE COMPLETED BY _____
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RULINGS: PLEASE TYPE THE FOLLOWING ON DOCKET SHEET

Argument heard and rulings made on the record denying [78] plaintiff's motion to compel. The Court finds that the redactions of emails concerning Mr. Galeas' case are protected work product under FRCP 26(b)(3); that work product protection has not been waived; and that plaintiff has not demonstrated substantial need for the materials prior to exhausting other avenues to obtain similar information. The redactions concerning other cases are irrelevant to this litigation and not discoverable. As to plaintiff's requests for collections data regarding other Virgo judgments and the review of case files pertaining to the Virgo judgments, those requests are overbroad and disproportionate to the needs in this case, and the Houslanger defendants' objections are sustained on that basis. Deposition discovery remains stayed during the pendency of defendants' motions to dismiss.